

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special-Disabilities Programs; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special-Disabilities Programs will be held on April 30, 2018 and May 1, 2018, in Room 430 at VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. The meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m. on both days, and will adjourn at 4:30 p.m. on April 30 and at 12 noon on May 1. This meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of VA on VA's prosthetics programs designed to provide state-of-the-art prosthetics and the associated rehabilitation research, development, and evaluation of such technology. The Committee also provides advice to the Secretary to serve Veterans with spinal cord injuries, blindness or visual impairments, loss of extremities or loss of function, deafness or hearing impairment, and other serious incapacities in terms of daily life functions.

On April 30, the Committee will receive briefings on Academic Affiliations in Associated Health; Workforce Management Service and Human Resources; Modernization in Veterans Health Administration; Chiropractic Care Services; Clinical Orthotic and Prosthetic Services. On May 1, the Committee members will receive briefings from the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Polytrauma System of Care; Access to Care; and Spinal Cord Injury and Disorders

No time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations from the public; however, members of the public may direct questions or submit written statements for review by the Committee in advance of the meeting to Judy Schafer, Ph.D., Designated Federal Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Patient Care Services, Rehabilitation and Prosthetic Services (10P4R), VA, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or by email at Judy.Schafer@va.gov. Because the meeting is being held in a Government building, a photo I.D. must be presented at the Guard's Desk as a part of the clearance

process. Therefore, you should allow an additional 30 minutes before the meeting begins. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting should contact Dr. Schafer at (202) 461-7315.

Dated: April 9, 2018.

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